

Community Resources

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Want to learn more?

Come to our meeting held each month
at Central Wyoming College in Riverton.

Contact a team facilitator for dates & times
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*Building a network of community
solutions that will improve the
quality of employment in Fremont
County and increase the number
of work opportunities for job
seekers of all abilities.*

2013 Wyoming Employment First Legislation

*"Employment First is the policy of the state; whereas, **competitive and integrated employment shall be considered the first option when serving persons with disabilities who are of working age to obtain employment.** Employment first applies to programs and services that provide services and support to help obtain employment for persons with disabilities."*



Every Person.

Every Talent.

Every Opportunity!

Fremont County Employment First Team

Why we meet each month...

- ✓ **Develop a strong Community Employment First approach** to improving the employment rate and quality of employment for community residents.
- ✓ **Integrate business owners with community resources** and helping them connect with job seekers of all abilities.
- ✓ **Conduct presentations on Employment Resources** each month such as accommodations, transportation options, understanding different learning and communication styles, and discussing behavior concerns and solutions.
- ✓ **Hearing your workplace or hiring concerns** that may be barriers to employment or career growth.

Benefits to Employers of hiring people with disabilities

- ✓ Dedicated and reliable employees
- ✓ Low employee turnover
- ✓ Reduced training and recruitment costs
- ✓ Increased work productivity
- ✓ Increased diversity
- ✓ Enhanced staff morale
- ✓ Lower workplace injury
- ✓ Assistance from community agencies
- ✓ Tax incentives available

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